

The Georgia Board of Nursing met August 11, 2016 via telephone conference from the Professional Licensing Boards Division of the Georgia Secretary of State, located at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 11, 2016

MEMBERS PRESENT

Janice Izlar, RN, CRNA, DNAP, President
Nancy Barton, RN, MSN
Brenda Rowe, RN, MN, JD, Immediate Past President
Julia Worthy, RN, MSN
Dellarie Shilling, RN, MSN, FNP-B
Amy Hooper, LPN, Vice President
Kellie R. Lockwood, RN, MSN, Immediate Past Vice President
Linda Floyd, RN, EdD, PMHNP-BC
Fredetena (Tina) Fletcher, LPN
Merry Fort, RN
Blair Train, Consumer Member
Tracey Blalock, RN, MSN, MBA, NEA-BC

MEMBERS ABSENT

Andrea Phipps, LPN

STAFF PRESENT

Jim Cleghorn, Executive Director
Kirsten Daudril, JD, Assistant Attorney General
Janet Freeman, RN, BSN, Nursing Consultant - Legal/Discipline
Edye Tillman-Johnson, RN, BSN, Nursing Consultant – Legal/Discipline
Tara Miller, RN, BSN, Nursing Consultant – Legal/Discipline
Andrew Turnage, Executive Director, Trades 2

Izlar called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 11, 2016. A quorum to conduct disciplinary matters was determined to exist.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Lockwood moved, Rowe seconded and the Board voted to enter into **Executive Session** in accordance with O.C.G.A. §§43-1-2(k); 43-1-19(h); 43-26-5(c) and 43-26-11, to deliberate on applications and enforcement matters and to receive information on applications, investigative cases and pending cases. The motion passed unanimously.

At the conclusion of the Executive Session on Thursday, August 11, 2016, Izlar declared the meeting to be “open” pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act, O.C.G.A. §§ 50-14-1 et seq. No votes were taken during executive session.

CASE REVIEW (Legal and Discipline cases)

(RNI=Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number, LPNI=Licensed Practical Nurse Investigative Case Number)

RNI160371 – Train moved to refer to the Attorney General’s office for a summary suspension. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI160352 – Worthy moved to request licensee to submit documentation from treatment provider stating that licensee is safe to practice with reasonable skill and safety. Documentation must be received within 14 days. Blalock seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LPNI160218 – Shilling moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office and offer an inactive status. Worthy seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI160309 – Rowe moved to close the case with no action. Hooper seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI161139 – Lockwood moved to close the case with no action. Floyd seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI151190/RNI160320 – Rowe moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for a public consent order to include five (5) years probation, two (2) years narcotic restrictions, quarterly reports (employer, personal, aftercare and psychotherapy) and substance abuse stipulations. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI160656 – Hooper moved to refer to Investigations to obtain specific records on the patient's prescribed Schedule II drugs. Shilling seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI160380 – Lockwood moved to refer to Legal Services for an outpatient mental physical examination from a Board approved evaluator. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant. Results are to be submitted within fourteen (14) days of completion of mental physical examination. Worthy seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI160389 – Train moved to rescind the previous motion from June 30, 2016 and to reinstate with a Letter of Concern (Alcohol). Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LPNI160200 – Hooper moved to send a mitigating letter requesting courses in Ethics of Nurse Practicing and Professional Boundaries in Nursing. Rowe seconded the motion with Barton opposing.

RNI161150 – Rowe moved to close the case with no action. Train seconded the motion with Blalock abstaining.

RNI160447 – Lockwood moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for a hearing or a private consent order to include five (5) years monitoring, quarterly reports (employer, personal, aftercare), substance abuse stipulations, and a course in Understanding Substance Use Disorder in Nursing. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LPNI170030 - Hooper moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for a hearing or a public consent order to include three (3) years probation, quarterly reports (employer, personal), require licensee to complete courses required in original order and include practice restrictions from Missouri Board of Nursing order. Floyd seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LPNI160075 – Barton moved to close the case. Worthy seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI161223 – Train moved to close the case with a Letter of Concern (Professional Accountability/Ethics). Shilling seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LPNI160160 – Rowe moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for an indefinite suspension or voluntary surrender. Worthy seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

LPNI150050 – Barton moved to refer to the Attorney General's Office for an indefinite suspension or voluntary surrender. May petition to lift with submission of an outpatient mental physical examination from a Board approved evaluator within 30 days of petition. Results are to be reviewed by the Investigative Committee and the Legal/Discipline Nurse Consultant. Floyd seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI110404 - Rowe moved to approve the request to lift narcotic restrictions. Lockwood seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

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RNI120656 – Train moved to rescind the previous motion from August 13, 2016 and to refer to the Attorney General's Office for a public reprimand, a course in Understanding Substance Use Disorder in Nursing and a fine of \$500 for Unprofessional Conduct. Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

RNI160079 – Blalock moved to rescind the previous motion from May 20, 2016 and to refer to the Attorney General's Office for a hearing or a public reprimand to include five (5) years probation, two (2) years narcotic restriction, quarterly reports (personal, employer, aftercare, psychotherapy) and substance abuse stipulations (with exception of travel restrictions). Must continue in Intensive Outpatient Program with current physician and may not work in a clinical setting without board approval. Licensee must submit to monthly random drug screens for six months and quarterly thereafter. Hooper seconded the motion with Barton abstaining.

PRIVATE CONSENT AGREEMENTS FOR FAILURE TO DISCLOSE

Lockwood moved to ratify the Private Consent Agreements for licensure with a fine for failure to disclose arrest(s)/disciplinary action on applications that were issued according to the Board's policies.

LPNI170034 LPNI170036 LPNI170048 LPNI170056

Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

PRIVATE CONSENT AGREEMENTS FOR UNLICENSED AND UNAUTHORIZED PRACTICE

Worthy moved to ratify the Private Consent Agreements for unlicensed/unauthorized practice that were issued according to the Board's policies.

RNI170087 RNI170091 RNI170092 RNI170096 LPNI170057

Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

ORDER TERMINATIONS BETWEEN MEETINGS

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Barton moved to accept the following terminations of probation between meetings.

RNI120353 RN136112 RN185185 RN207186 RNI120611

Worthy seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

REQUEST TO LIFT NARCOTIC RESTRICTIONS

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Lockwood moved to accept the following recommendations for the cases listed below:

	RECOMMENDED ACTION
RN210886	Lift narcotics restriction
RN125048	Lift narcotics restriction

Train seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE A

(LPNI = Licensed Practical Nurse Investigative Case Number) (RNI=Registered Nurse Investigative Case Number)

Train moved to ratify the following cases from the investigative committee meeting:

LPNI170004	RNI161119	LPNI170003	RNI170007	RNI170008	LPNI150080	RNI160759
LPNI170028	RNI150996	LPNI150563	LPNI160339	LPNI160390	LPNI160396	LPNI160404
RNI151303	RNI160188	RNI161102	RNI161027	RNI161015	RNI161115	RNI170050
RNI130167	RNI130107	LPNI170024	LPNI170011	LPNI160405	RNI160279	

Rowe seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE B

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Hooper moved to ratify the following cases from the investigative committee meeting:

LPNI160379	RNI161163	RNI160221	LPNI170012	RNI150124	LPNI160376	RNI161121
RNI160946	LPNI160355	RNI161070	RNI160416	RNI160795	RNI160199	LPNI160361
RNI161217	RNI170004	RNI130405	RNI160643	LPNI170002	LPNI160373	LPNI160392
RNI130217	RNI140410	LPNI150552	LPNI160230	LPNI150748	RNI150833	RNI140650
RNI160702	RNI130209					

Barton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

Angela Herrington – The Board reviewed correspondence from Angela Herrington and referred her to the Georgia Composite Medical Board for information regarding the Medical Practice Act.

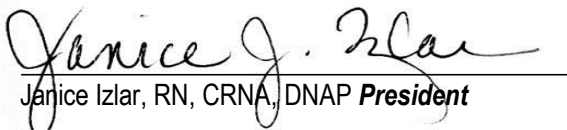
MISCELLANEOUS

Izlar provided information regarding the Board's request to post its August 1, 2016 letter to stakeholders on its website. Izlar explained that the Secretary of State's Office approved the request but would not distribute the letter to all licensees. Board members were notified of the additional notification posted on the Board's website by the Secretary of State's Office.

NURSE LICENSURE COMPACT

Izlar provided information regarding the Nurse Licensure Compact and referenced the Board's June 16, 2016 motion to pursue the Nurse Licensure Compact with the Georgia Nurses Association.

The meeting adjourned at 5:47 p.m.


Janice Izlar, RN, CRNA, DNAP **President**


James D. Cleghorn, **Executive Director**